## **CHAPTER NO. 25**

## **SENATE BILL NO. 1720**

By Curtis S. Person, Jr.

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1002

## By Fowlkes, Coleman, Sontany

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 14, Part 2, relative to the position of assistant district public defender.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-14-202, is amended by deleting subsection (d) and substituting instead the following:

(d)(1). For each judicial district in which district public defenders are authorized, there shall be authorized the following number of assistant district public defender positions:

Assistant district public

| Judicial District | defender positions         |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 1                 | 6                          |
| 2                 | 6                          |
| 3                 | 6                          |
| 4                 | 6<br>5<br>3                |
| 2<br>3<br>4<br>5  | 3                          |
| 6                 | 16                         |
| 7                 | 3                          |
| 6<br>7<br>8<br>9  | 4                          |
| 9                 | 3                          |
| 10                | 4<br>3<br>5                |
| 11                | 10                         |
| 12                | 4                          |
| 13                | 5                          |
| 14                | 3                          |
| 15                | 4                          |
| 16                | 3<br>4<br>5                |
| 17                | 4                          |
| 18                | 4                          |
| 19                | 6<br>4                     |
| 21                | 4                          |
| 22                | 5                          |
| 23                | 5<br>4                     |
| 24                | 4                          |
| 25                | 5                          |
| 26                | 5                          |
| 27                | 3                          |
| 28                | 4<br>5<br>5<br>3<br>3<br>3 |
| 29                | 3                          |
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(2) It is the legislative intent to provide additional assistant district public defender positions in both the 20th and 30th judicial districts in a manner consistent with the most current weighted caseload study. Funding for these positions shall be contingent upon specific appropriation by the general appropriations act for such positions.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 28, 2005

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April 2005

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